[Translation]

Power Supply to Rajasthan

4570. PROF RASA SINGH RAWAT: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is acute shortage of power particularly in hilly and desert areas in Rajasthan:

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to supply more power to Rajasthan through the National Power Grid;

(c) the quantum of power being supplied to Rajasthan at present from the National Power Grid:

(d) when it is proposed to supply additional power to Rajasthan as requested; and

(e) if not reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) During April, 1991 to July, 1991, Rajasthan faced a marginal energy deficit of 0.8%.

(b) to (e) During April, 1991—July, 1991, Rajasthan had drawn from Central Sector Stations located in Northern Region 1550.9 million units.

The Government has also decided to allocate 9.18% of share from the Dadri Gas Power Project (817 MW) to Rajasthan.

In order to enhance the power availability to Rajasthan from Central Stations, it has also been decided to allocate entire net power output of the first stage generation units (about 240 MW) from the Lignite project at Barsingsar to the State of Rajasthan.

[English]

Oil Deposits in Jalgaon District

4571. SHRI VIJAY NAVAL PATIL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some deposits of oil and natural gas have been fonnd in Jalgaon district of Maharashtra: and

(b) if so, when the drilling work in the area is likely to be started?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND):

(a) No Sir

(b) Does not arise

[Translation]

Jaipur-Tonk-Kota Rail Line

4572. SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA: Will the Minister of RAILWAY be please to state

(a) whether the Government propose to construct rail route from Jaipur to Kota via Tonk.

(b) whether any survey had been conducted in this regard: and

(c) if so, when the approval is likely to be accorded in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No. Sir.

(b) A survey for a new B. G. line from Sawai Madhopur to Tonk was carried out in 1987. The project was found to be financially unremunerative and was, therefore, not taken up.